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12. (AMENDED) The method of Claim 11 wherein the urethane polymer-containing ink composition is a water-based composition comprising a dispersion of pigment.

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16. (AMENDED) A method for printing an image on an elastomeric substrate comprising the step of:

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printing an image using at least one ink composition comprising a stable nonpolyethylene containing aqueous dispersion of pigment and particles of a urethane polymer.

17. (AMENDED) The method of Claim 16 further comprising the step of coating a layer of a urethane polymer-containing composition onto the elastomeric substrate before the printing step.

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22. (AMENDED) The method of Claim 16 wherein at least one ink composition comprises a dispersion of white pigment.

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34. (AMENDED) The method of Claim 16 wherein the elastomeric substrate is formed as a bandage.

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37. (AMENDED) The method of Claim 34 wherein the elastomeric substrate is selected from a group consisting of polyurethane, elastomeric polyethylene, low density polyethylene and a nonwoven elastomeric web.

Sub C6

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39. (AMENDED) A method for limiting abrasion of an ink on an elastomeric bandage comprising the steps of:

applying at least one ink composition comprising a water-based dispersion of a urethane polymer to an elastomeric surface in an imagewise fashion.

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43. (AMENDED) The method of Claim 39 wherein the elastomeric substrate is selected from a group consisting of polyurethane, elastomeric polyethylene, low density polyethylene, and a nonwoven clastomeric web.